IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 8, line12, as follows:

firewalls, 17, [[24]] 36, and 7;

Please amend the paragraph at page 8, line 16 – page 9, line 5, as follows:

As illustrated in the accompanying drawings, a telecommunications system which supports secure communication between a visitor's, or participator's, computer, 8, and application, or host computer, [[24]] 34, has an administration computer 19. The participator computer, 8, is linked via a firewall, 17, to the Internet 18, and thence through firewall, [[24]] 36, to the administration computer 19. The administration computer, 19, includes a webserver, 5, for issuing visitor's badges in the form of Java applets, and is protected by a password recognition unit, 20. The administration computer includes a control panel, 4, which may take the form of a visual screen based interface, allowing an operator to control the administration computer and the issue of electronic badges. Each badge is in the form of an applet which, when run on a visitor's computer, such as 8, includes a series of icons for a range of applications on the application computer, to which the visitor is given access rights by the electronic badge. In the case of the embodiment illustrated in the drawings, these applications include applications 13, 14, and 15 which might be MS-Netmeeting, Word 6, and Coral Draw 6.